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Newsletter

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Our mission is to make disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ in our communities through caring, in-depth Bible study, available to all.

January Greetings

Welcome back to connecting with God through your study here at CBS. You are precious to us and we are so excited that you are here building a relationship with our Lord as well as with people in your group.

I John 4:19 “We love because He first loved us”. We are praying that you are leaning into Jesus Christ and hearing His voice in your study and receiving discernment for your life.

As we gather together, remember that your Prayer Chair, along with your class Prayer Partners, are praying for your transformation. Matthew 18:19 – 20 “if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.” We praise God for these warriors; it gives us joy to know that we are all covered in prayer. We are expecting good things to come out of our study in every region across Canada.

If you have a “Bright Spot” where the Lord got your attention, we would love you to share it with others in your class and beyond, as this encourages us on the path of life. Send it into the office since we would like to put them in a Newsletter. You can have your name printed or you can request anonymity, but please share.

We would ask everyone to pray for the succession of leaders. We are always looking for people that God is calling to grow and become leaders for our classes.

We thank those who have contributed to our Newsletter this month.

The National Servants Team prays that you will have a joyous time with the Lord in your class.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

February 2, 2019 Ontario TDs and ATDs having a Training Day at The Kingsbridge Centre

February 8, 2019 Ontario Children’s Supervisor session with National Director of C&Y in Toronto

March 29 -31, 2019 Nova Scotia classes are having a table to introduce CBS Canada at “Jesus for the Nations, 2019”

May 3&4, 2019 Servants Team Training at Markham Hilton Suites Conference Centre

What I Like About Global Lessons

by John Tan

Class member in Mississauga Eve. Co-Ed and Board Treasurer

I summarize below 3 points which I find the global lessons useful:

1. There is less referencing which gives you more time to think about what the question is asking. Usually when there are a lot of cross references, I think you tend to spend time looking at the references and by the time you finish you have lost what the question is about. Most people spend time writing down the whole verses that are cross referenced in the question and in our haste to complete the question and move on to the next question; we lose the meaning of what the question is asking.
2. The most important change in the Global lessons is more application questions that follow the other questions. It forces you to think or, in many instances, meditate on the verses relating to the questions. This allows me to better understand the Bible verses and apply them to my life. This is very powerful and profound as when you think deeply about the application, the words of the Bible come alive. The “think about” also helps you do this.
3. The questions also ask you to put into practice the application and share with your group. The “apply the truth” at the end of Day 5 summarizes the lessons and requires each one to apply and share. Putting God’s word into action is confirming God’s word is true and develops faith and trust in God.

Matthew 7:24-27 “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.”



Who can you invite to join you
in your study at CBS?

Spring Training

May 3-5, 2019

Friday to Sunday, at
the Hilton Markham Suites
Conference Centre.

Are you on the alert for leaders? Are you asking God to show you who He is calling to fill the slots on your team and for those He is calling for next year to come alongside helping you now in preparation?



A Child's Love of CBS Canada

A woman and her son attend one of our morning classes. Her son is in the preschool class and he absolutely loves his teacher and the program. With encouragement from her class, the woman is happy to share a story that happened in December.

“On our way to CBS, I got the dates mixed up and told my son that this will be the last class before the holidays and to remember to wish his teacher a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Before I was even able to finish my sentence, he burst into tears and started asking why does CBS have to be so short and he wants his class to go longer.

“It was then that I realized I made a mistake and there was in fact one more week but the damage was already done. My son was inconsolable and some kind class members came out to help me console him. His teacher heard him crying from the classroom and came out to help bring him in. I explained the situation to her and she promised to give him a longer lesson that day and she would see him again next week.

“Last week my son was better prepared to have that class be his last this year so he walked in with his usual big smile and gave his teacher a big hug when it was time to go.

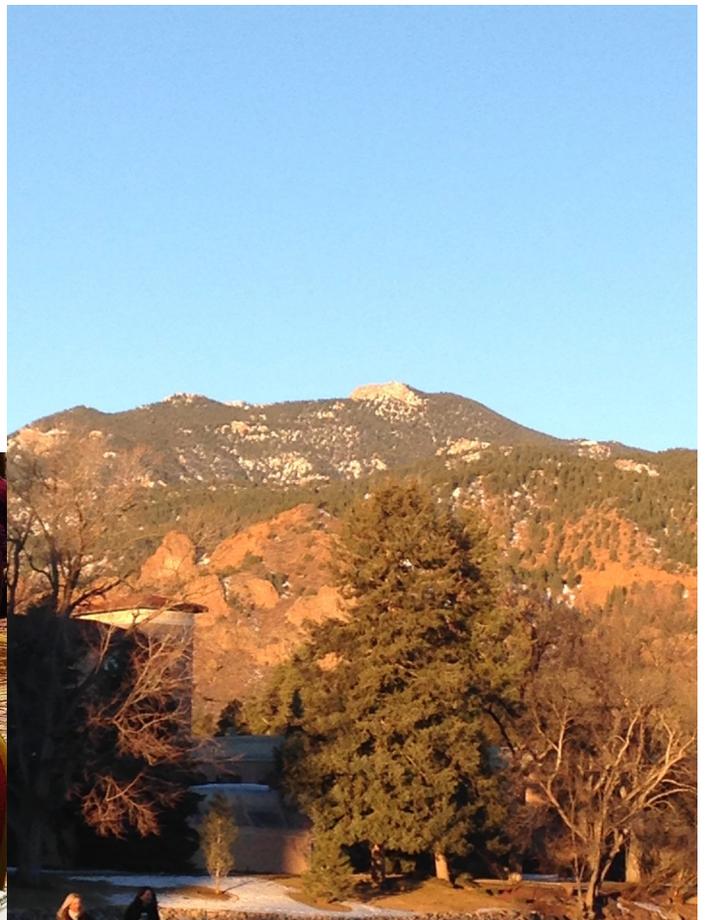
“Needless to say, CBS has been such a blessing to me and my family!”

From the 2019 TD Conference in Colorado Springs

Your National Servants Team was invited to Colorado Springs for the American TD Conference, Thursday, February 17, to Sunday, February 21. The Theme was “*Light it Up*” based on Psalm 119:105.

We enjoyed good speakers, updates on the international scene of CBS ministry, great devotions, prayer time and wonderful worshipful music.

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Speaker Dr. Joe Stowell, President of Cornerstone University.

He spoke on Numbers 20:1-12 and reminded us that only God is Holy and His reputation rides on the back of your problem so lean on Him for power and exalt Him, so others will see His Glory. *“Light it Up”*

Isaiah 46:11 *“For my own sake, for my own sake, I do this. How can I let myself be defamed? I will not yield my glory to another.”* Dr. Stowell reminded us that only God is to receive the glory so he said, *“Don’t obstruct the view; get out of the way.”*

Matthew 5:16 *“Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father.”* *“Light it Up”*



Speaker Christine Wyrzten, musician and writer of a daily blog for *“The Daughters of Promise.”*

She spoke on Ezekiel 37 including verse 5 *“I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life.”* And verse 6b *“then you will know that I am the Lord.”*

Studying the Word is not enough; ask the Holy Spirit to change you as you read God’s Word. We need the Spirit to *“Light it Up”*.

Our Executive Director of CBS, Kimm Carr, spoke to us on several occasions, giving us updates on our mission outreach in the world. The goals of CBS are to multiply, simplify, unify and fortify.

We were reminded that all we need is the Word of Jesus, Psalm 119:105 *“Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.”* So, go out and *“Light it Up”*.

Isaiah 55 with an emphasis on verse 5 *“Surely you will summon nations you know not, and nations you do not know will come running to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has endowed you with splendour.”*

So, go out and *“Light it Up”* so others will seek His face, because of what He has done for you and we will no longer be ‘dry bones’ but the spirit of the Lord will be shining through us.

A wonderful spiritual and learning time for your National Servants Team. We thank you for your generosity for making it possible for us to go to the convention.



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